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MONSANTO INDUSTRIAL CHEMICALS CO.
Sauget, Illinois 62201
Phone: (618) 271-5835

July 23, 1985

Mr. Harold G. Baker, Jr.
Attorney at Law
56 South 65th Street
Belleville, Illinois 62223

Dear Mr. Baker:

We have received the draft of the Preliminary Official Statement. The names of our representatives on the Association Board of Directors are correct.

The Village has our permission to print the company statement as shown in the draft. I would suggest that you add at the end to the last paragraph - On July 18th Monsanto announced its intention to acquire G. D. Searle and Company at a cost of approximately \$2.7 billion.

Sincerely,

of the next
Warren L. Small

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cc: P. Sauget
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